



Do you have your NPI? National Provider Identifiers (NPIs) will be required on claims sent on or after May 23, 2007. Every health care provider needs to get an NPI. Learn more about the NPI and how to apply for an NPI by visiting <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProviderStand/> on the CMS website.

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New Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Code

Provider Types Affected

All Medicare providers

Provider Action Needed



STOP – Impact to You

Effective July 1, 2005, Medicare carriers and intermediaries must use the new Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code 90714 (*Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Td) adsorbed, preservative free, for use in individuals seven years or older, for intramuscular use*) for services previously billed under CPT code 90718.

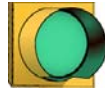


CAUTION – What You Need to Know

Effective for services on or after July 1, 2005, if you do not use the new Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code, 90714, reimbursements may be impacted. CR4222 provides notification of this new CPT code for tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (see table below).

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GO – What You Need to Do

Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of this new CPT code.

Background

Effective July 1, 2005, the following vaccine CPT code is being added to the CPT system.

CPT code	Short Descriptor	Long Descriptor
90714	Td vaccine no prsrv >= 7 im	Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Td) adsorbed, preservative free, for use in individual seven years or older, for intramuscular use

Note: Your carriers and fiscal intermediaries will assign the CPT code (90714) to status indicator “E” in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database. Deductible and coinsurance apply.

Effective July 1, 2005:

- CPT code 90718 is used for the tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Td) vaccine absorbed for use in an individual seven years or older, for intramuscular use; and
- CPT 90714 is used for the tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Tg) vaccine absorbed, preservative free, for use in individuals seven years or older, for intramuscular use.

Additional Information

Medicare will not search its files to retract payment for claims already paid or to retroactively pay claims. However, carriers/intermediaries will adjust claims brought to their attention.

The official instruction issued to your carrier/intermediary is available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R910CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

If you have any questions, please contact your carrier/intermediary at their toll-free number, which may be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.

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